

POLICE SEARCH FOR BODILY REMAINS

Josie Riddick Answers Description of Bon Air Woman—Had Skirt Exactly Like One Found in Woods Torn and Bloodstained

RICHMOND, VA., Special.—Letters and telegrams are being sent to Norfolk by the police to learn, if possible, the whereabouts of the woman known as Josie Riddick, who disappeared from 117 Mayo Street on July 1st, and who, it is thought, may have been murdered near Bon Air.

The woman used several names, however, and the police are experiencing some difficulty in finding traces of her. It was learned that her father lives on Berkeley Avenue, and a telegram received from Norfolk this morning seems to indicate that his daughter is still alive.

This message is to the effect that the woman was in Norfolk as late as July 10th, and is now living in Newport News. The telegram indicates that Josie Riddick has been married. The name of her husband does not exactly tally with that of the man with whom she is said to have left Richmond, however, so the police are continuing the investigation until it shows conclusively that the Riddick woman is or is not the one sought.

Inmates of 117 Mayo Street say that when the woman left she carried a suit case, a handbag, a tan skirt trimmed with very large satin buttons. Just such a skirt was found near the hedge in which the body of the murdered woman was discovered.

Friends of the woman declare that the description of the murdered woman strangely agrees with that of Josie Riddick. Her garments found near Bon Air are said to be like the clothes worn by the Riddick woman.

Josie Riddick, known also as Lottie Williams, Jo Smith and Josie Harris was born, according to the police record, in Brooklyn. She is said to have lived in Danville several years; also in Newport News. About three years ago she moved to Richmond. She left town some time ago, but returned last March, and until July 1st lived at 117 Mayo Street.

Left With a Man. When she left 117 Mayo Street on July 1st the woman was accompanied by a man who had recently, according to police information, spent much time in her company. The woman carried a suit case. The man had two valises.

They said they were going to Norfolk, and when last seen by acquaintances were walking in the direction of the Chesapeake and Ohio Station. The police have the name and picture of the man with whom the woman is said to have left town. He is believed to have lived in Danville, where he now has relatives.

According to statements made by inmates of 117 Mayo Street, the man has a dangerously jealous disposition, and though he is not attached to the Riddick woman, he had frequent and bitter quarrels with her.

armed burglars broke into the home of Mrs. Helen Bauman early today. The woman heard a noise in her kitchen, and with her daughter Elizabeth, sixteen years old, went to investigate. The five men opened fire, wounding Mrs. Bauman in the shoulder and right breast. Her daughter was shot through the right arm. The robbers fled.

The women were taken to St. Bernard's Hospital, where, it is said, Mrs. Bauman cannot recover. The men cut a kitchen screen and forced their way into the house. They fled after the shooting. Detectives are seeking them.

LIGHTNING STRIKES ROYAL CASTLE

BRUSSELS, BELGIUM, Special.—All Belgium is ringing with praises over the bravery and coolness displayed by the Royal family when lightning struck the chateau deconsecration while they were entertaining Prince Henry of Holland at a State dinner.

In the midst of the dinner, came a blinding flash of lightning, followed by a terrific thunder clap, and the court servants and attendants started to rush wildly about in a panic.

King Albert and Queen Elizabeth, together with their Royal guests, worked among the terrified attendants and finally quieted their fears and restored order. The chateau was found not to be seriously damaged.

GAVE UP FORTUNE TO WED MAN SHE LOVES

A special dispatch to the New York Herald, printed in that paper Friday says:

RICHMOND, VA., Special.—By becoming the bride of Walter S. McNeill, dean of Richmond College, she is said to have forfeited her fortune of \$250,000.

She was, until her marriage the widow of Edward V. Valentine, who died of cancer, leaving the bulk of his estate to Mrs. Valentine on the condition that she should not marry again.

S. Valentine, founder of a prosperous meat juice business. The marriage today took place in the home of Mrs. Valentine, in West Franklin Street. Mr. McNeill was graduated from Harvard in 1904 with the degree of LL. B., after winning a Ph. D. in Roman law and political science at the University of Berlin.

The marriage was a surprise, only the members of the two families and a few close friends having been apprised of it. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Churchill Gibson Chamberlain, head of a boys' school here, the bride's younger brother.

McNeill is the son of the late John Hampden Chamberlain, editor for many years of the old Richmond State. She is a niece of the late George W. Bagby, the Virginia author, whose daughter, Miss Martha Bagby, was married to George Gordon Battle of New York. Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Virginia. Her uncle, Mr. McNeill, will spend his honeymoon in Europe.

Forfeits Annuity of \$1,000. Estimated at the value of the first husband and Mrs. Valentine, which is on record in the chancery clerk's office, shows she inherited three-fourths of his estate, and received \$1,000 a year. It is a fact, however, that by remitting she forfeits an annuity of \$1,000, which Mrs. Valentine inherited from him.

From his father, whose will provides that in the event of the death of his son the latter's widow should receive this amount annually from the estate so long as she was a widow. In the event she remarried, the annuity was to go to her children.

CONCEALMENT SUGGEST IDEAS. Fearing Theodore Roosevelt will claim credit for ideas prepared by the minority Republicans of the Stanley steel committee, issued a statement asserting the minority report preceded the views of the colored, given last night, by at least three days. The minority report will not be published until Monday.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Special.—The views of the minority of the Stanley steel committee, dealing with corporations which control more than 50 per cent of the domestic output of a given article.



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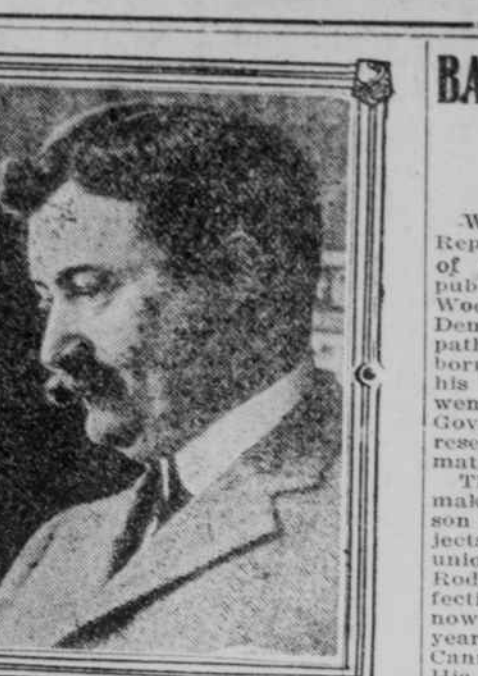
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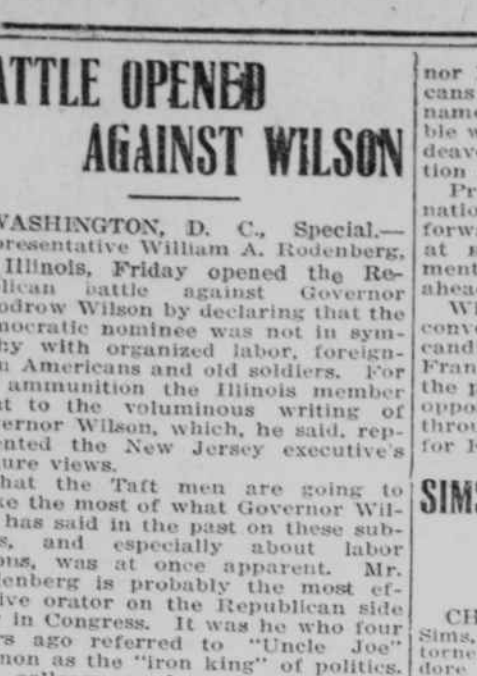
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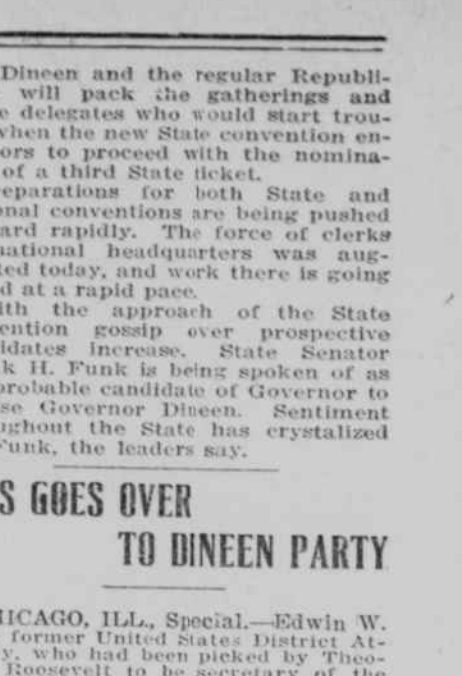
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